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from the **PRESIDENT'S DESK**



As this issue is mailed out, we are nearing our 6th Annual Convention and I'm sure there are many members, that are anxiously looking forward to this years meeting. The interest in elongated coins is high and I predict we will have the largest attendance at the 1972 meeting that we have ever had. Why not take a vacation at that time and join us at New Orleans. I have had letters from several that have never attended a convention before, but that have planned to go this year. So bring your duplicates to trade and a copy of

your want list and join the fun.

The many letters I have received complimenting the clubs activities and the TEC NEWS are most gratifying. I am especially grateful to our editors, Sally and Al Kirka. Their loyalty and devotion to TEC certainly reflects in the wonderful job they have done with TEC NEWS. My appreciation again goes out to all those that submitted articles for publication. Without these we wouldn't have a TEC NEWS. Keep them coming, so we can all enjoy them.

My thanks also to Dave Singer for his suggestion to give an award for the best elongated coin issued each year. This is a real good suggestion, but I believe it should be discussed at the board meeting, rather than by mail, so am holding it till the New Orleans board meeting. If you have any kind of suggestion for a better TEC send it to the "Suggestion Box".

In recent correspondence from Bob Callander, he tells me he has had several letters concerning the "Unlisted Directory". This is good, as it proves the need for such a directory and assures us that the effort put forth, is worth while. Check your unlisteds against the "directory" and if you come up with a piece that is still unlisted, make a foil impression or rubbing of it and send it to Bob for listing.

I will close this message by again saying, come on down to New Orleans. You will go home with some wonderful memories of your elongated friends.

The Editor Speaks

by Sally Kirka TEC #16

Well this is our 4th issue of the TEC NEWS and we are ending our first year as your TEC Editors. In the four issues, we have grown from twelve pages to over thirty pages in this issue. Thanks to all those nice members who have been sending in articles, we can do it. We have received many encouraging words, complimenting TEC NEWS. Like we have said before, we could not have done it without your help. This is your TEC NEWS!! It is your articles that make this NEWS, so we ask you to keep sending the articles in.

As "Editors", as the saying goes, we started out "Cold Turkey", knowing very little about putting out a newsletter. We have learned a lot this past year and still have much more to learn about putting out a newsletter, but we are willing to learn. The countless hours we put in arranging, typing and re-typing, collating, stapling, addressing, etc., are well worth the effort, if our TEC members keep sending articles in and the membership finds interest and enjoyment, in reading these TEC articles.

A special thanks goes to Lloyd and Alberta Wagaman for all the help they have given us. Out of all this hard work we have found a friendship, no money can buy.

Also a thank you should be given to Don Sabo, our Club Historian on the articles he has written. We have some very interesting articles for the next coming year written by Mr. Sabo. The long hours and the research Mr. Sabo has done, has been well worth it. A different article will be in each new issue, so be on the look out for these articles.

Bob Callander should also get a nice round of applause, not only from us, but from all our members too. If you had read your "Unlisted Directory", you would have known, what a nice job Mr. Callander is doing. So keep sending in your foils, of your unlisteds to Mr. Callander.

I want to thank the rollers, who sent us the elongated coins, with their new issues and their ads. This not only gives me an idea of the coin, but sometimes helps me when I have to write about it, so thanks again.

Have a happy summer and hope to see and meet most of you at the A.N.A. convention in New Orleans.

AN ARTICLE THAT APPEARED IN THE CUB SCOUT NEWS

Eric Greenwood brought his collection of specialized elongated coins to the Scout-O-Rama hobby show. Much interest was aroused by this as many people were under the impression that it is a Federal offense to have a "rolled out coin". This is not so. Just about all the people that were there had never seen an elongated coin, so to see a whole collection was really something. Eric gave a talk about how the hobby supposedly began and how, it has now grown to where there are elongated coin collectors through out the world. He also answered many questions that were asked of him and explained that the large board that was on display was a huge reproduction of the membership card that he holds in the elongated coin club.

(Editors note; Congratulations Eric on a job well done on displaying your elongated coins. I wish I could have seen your exhibit. Keep up the good work.)

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CORRECTION

It was announced in the last issue of TEC NEWS that our 1972 membership coin was made for us at cost, by Bob Luchtman, Box 241, Arivaca, Arizona 85601. Bob says this is in error as he made them for us at no cost. The membership is indebted to Bob for his generosity. Thank you Mr. Luchtman.

Section 331, Title 18, U.S. Code

Prohibits among other things the fraudulent alteration and alteration and mutilation of United States and Foreign coins. This statute does not prohibit the mutilation of coins if done without fraudulent intent or if the mutilated coins are not used fraudulently.

SPEAKER AND EXHIBITOR OF ELONGATES

by Sally Kirka TEC #16

Thought I'd take a rest from exhibiting my elongated coins this spring. Then I received a call from the exhibit chairman of the Uncas Coin Club, of Norwich, Connecticut.

I was asked if I would exhibit my elongated coins, at their coin show. This is the sixth year in a row that I've been asked to exhibit there and the sixth time I've won and brought home a trophy. This is pretty good to get from a club of which I'm not even a member. No, I do not exhibit, the same thing every year. I'm always thinking up new ideas and I'm trying them out. I've been lucky so far and have won on all my exhibits. I have won fourteen, "Best of Show" trophies. Altogether I have about sixty awards for my elongated coin exhibits, in the past five years. I have all kinds of trophies, silver bowls, plaques and all kinds of ribbons.

I also won a first, at the open house at the Tri-State Coin Club of Danielson, Connecticut, held during National Coin Week. I had three show cases of elongated coins. One was of Lloyd Wagamans Statehood Series. The other two cases were, of my painted State Flags and my newly acquired Mini First Day Covers with elongated coins of which Dottie Dow had sent me the day before.

I also received a special award at the Central Conn. Coin Club. There I exhibited five show cases of my elongated coins, of which each case was different. When I saw some one take an interest in my elongated coin exhibit, I'd go up to them and explain, what elongated coins were. I can assure you, many people asked me many questions through out the day. I guess I'm a little pleased, when someone asks me questions about my exhibits. A hobby is what you make of it and I enjoy my hobby very much.

I do my share of showing slides and being a speaker at coin clubs. I brought three of my exhibits, showed slides and spoke about elongated coins, at the Waterbury Coin Club of Waterbury, Connecticut on April 3rd, to about 65 men and 2 women. Received many compliments so I believe the men enjoyed the program.

I also was a speaker and showed slides at the Western Rhode Island Stamp and Coin Club, of Foster, Rhode Island, on May 10th, to about 45 members. I gave another talk to the Hartford Numismatic Society of West Hartford, Conn., May 17th. Had to cancel out on the Pawtucket Numismatic Society of Pawtucket, Rhode Island and the Putnam Coin Club of Carmel, New York. I was just to busy trying to get the TEC NEWS out for you folks. Will do these clubs in the fall.

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TO ALL MEMBERS OF T.E.C.

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FROM YOUR AWARD COMMITTEE--- Anyone who had exhibited, gave a talk or had an article published, during this year, should write to the Award Committee Chairman. His address is- Mr. O. Wilson Morgan, c/o Mrs. Walter S. Morgan, 235 So. 11th St., Richmond, Ind. 47374 The deadline is May 1, 1972

- a) For talks given in 1971
- b) For displays shown in 1971
- c) For articles published in 1971
- d) Please send verification

This data needed for awards of 1971, to be presented at the ANA convention in New Orleans, 1972, any letters received after deadline will not be accepted, so hurry, hurry, hurry.

HOW I STARTED COLLECTING ELONGATEDS by Roxanne Davis TEC #535

I received my first elongated coins, (cent and dime) at the 5th annual N.E.C.A. Error-A-Rama in 1971. I've collected coins for a number of years, but I lived in a small town in Michigan and had never seen an elongated coin. When I saw those N.E.C.A. elongated coins, I was very excited and put them in a special place in my collection.

Until last February, when I decided to make elongateds my main hobby, I only had approximately six elongateds in my collection. I joined TEC in March and my collection has already grown to 70 coins. I have also recently joined California Collectors of Elongateds #161 and I am sure these two organizations will add a great deal to my knowledge of elongated coins.

My favorite elongated subject is the Christmas coins. I have thirteen Christmas coins at this time and thanks to Sally Kirka, I have painted them all. Sally took the time, to answer my many questions and to fill me in on the fine art of painting elongateds and I'm very grateful.

If anyone has a special interest in the Christmas elongated coins, I would like to share your knowledge and information. I'd be very happy to hear from you. My address is Roxanne Davis, 12941-A Newport Ave., Tustin, California 92680.

(Editors note; Keep up the good work Roxanne and I hope you win many trophies on your exhibits.)

THE TRAVELING ELONGATEDS by Eric Goodwin TEC #520

I was interested by Sally Kirka's article in the last TEC NEWS about carrying an elongated for four years. It reminded me of a similar experience. Last June a fellow collector sent me Lloyd's, "Ace in the Hole and Queen of my Heart," but no price. I was so pleased to get the coins that I carried the coins on a trip to Mexico with me. The wife and I traveled by train and bus from Mexicali to Guadalajara, Mexico City, Saltillo, Mazatlan and then home.

The trip covered several thousand miles and took three weeks. I was a little worried about losing the coins because I didn't yet know the asking price. While in Mexico City the Treasurer of Mexico City Coin Club asked me to remain for three more weeks and talk to the club about elongateds. I speak and teach Spanish so this would have been a real pleasure. According to him, no elongateds have been produced in Mexico and they know very little about them. However I couldn't afford to wait that long to give a talk. We returned the first week of July and finally in November I received a very fair bill for the long-traveled elongateds.

NOTICE!

The TEC annual meeting will be held at the Jung Hotel, during the A.N.A. convention in New Orleans. The meeting will be held Friday, August 18th at 2 P.M., in rooms 4 and 5. This meeting is open to all members and their guests.

The board of directors meeting will be held Wednesday, August 16th in room 6. This is an important meeting, so let's have all the officers attend. There are many things to be discussed for the good of the club.

Its still only \$7.50 for a full page ad in TEC NEWS, \$4.00 for a half page and \$2.50 for a quarter page.

WILL TRY A ELONGATED EXHIBIT NEXT by Chester Grabowski TEC #512

Since joining TEC and reading the TEC NEWS, I seem to get more and more interested in elongated coins. It even has me going from one dealer to another, asking if they have any old elongated coins, at each coin show that I attend.

After seeing some of Sally Kirka's exhibits, I think I'll take a try at an elongated coin exhibit. I asked Sally for some ideas and sure enough, she gave me some good ones. She said she'd be happy to see more exhibits of elongated coins.

She told me on elongated coins, you have to work harder, so the judges will notice your exhibits. Follow all exhibit rules. Then pick out a back ground color, that will bring out your coins, instead of a color where your coins get lost in it.

Most of all get an original idea, as originality counts a lot in the judging in most shows.

Take your Christmas coins for example, you can add a lot of Christmas decorations to your exhibit, to give it a Christmas look.

I still haven't painted any of my coins like Sally did and may not even try it. I will think up some idea of my own and will try it. Like they say, you can't always win, but it will sure be fun trying. So move over Sally, I'm joining with Al, we are out to win.

SEE YOU IN NEW ORLEANS by Sally Kirka TEC #16

Well by the time you read this, it will only be about six more weeks, before the A.N.A. Convention in New Orleans. Its still not to late to make up your mind and come to New Orleans for August 14th to the 19th. It will be well worth your trip to see all the TEC members again. Al and I have been packing for weeks and we are ready to go. Each year we go, we take one more suitcase and Al will ask me the same question, "do we need to take all this". Yes we really do need everything.

It will be fun seeing our old friends again and meeting many new ones. Al and I look forward to meeting Ruby Threlkeld. We both have been writing to each other, for over a year now and it will be nice to meet her in person.

Of course we look forward to seeing our TEC family, such as Dottie Dow, Lloyd and Alberta Wagaman, Steve and Alice Penzes, Henry Blaha, Barbara Trace and many more of our old friends.

Last year, Harold Anderson and his wife lost their luggage. It took them a couple of days before, they got it back. So folks, watch your suitcases on the planes and busses.

For those of you who are going for the first time, come and say hello to us. We will always be not to far away.

The first day everyone makes a mad dash to see how many elongated coins, they can find. Did you notice, in the last two or three years, how more and more dealers are selling elongated coins. You find very few elongated coins in junk boxes, now.

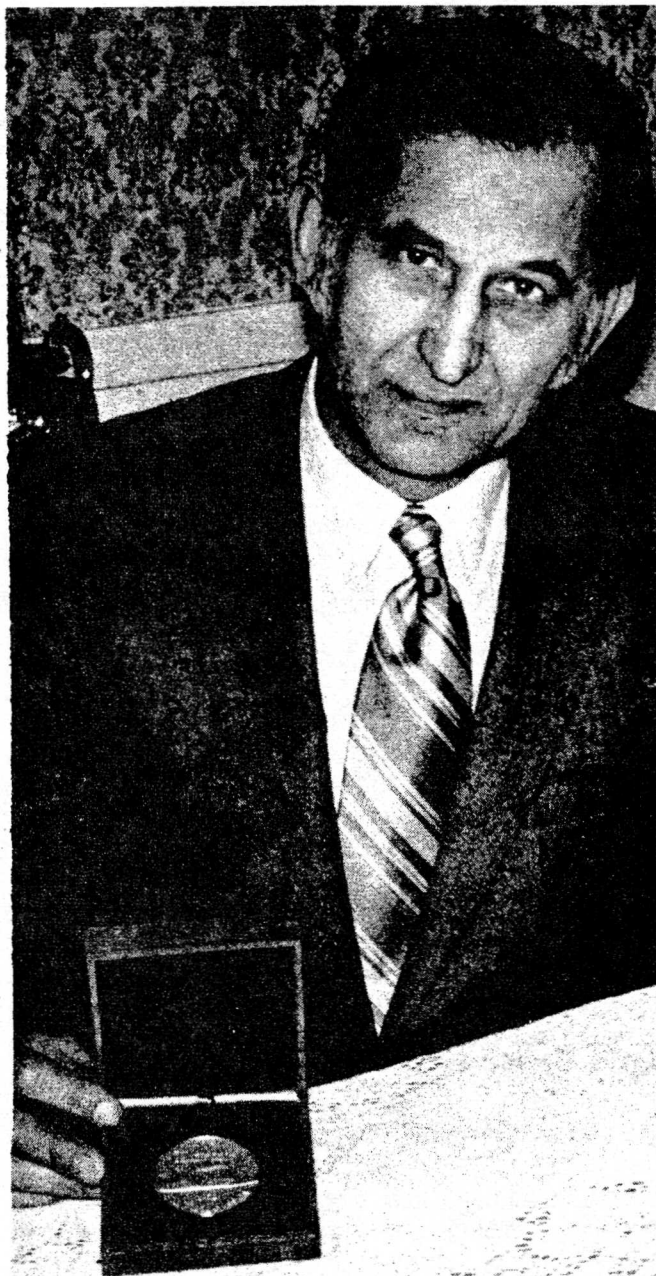
I hope members have not forgotten to exhibit their elongated coins at the convention. Who knows, you may be the lucky one.

Also don't forget our TEC meeting at 2 P.M. Friday afternoon in rooms 4 and 5. See you all there and a happy trip to all. For more information on the convention see your April-May-June TEC NEWS.

Don't forget the deadline for TEC ads is August 1st, the deadline for TEC articles is August 7th and for convention articles the deadline is August 26th. Others will appear in the next issue.

CONGRATULATIONS TO HERMAN KRAJEWSKI

by Al Kirka TEC #450



Herman Krajewski with commemorative medal

Our congratulations go out to Herman Krajewski, TEC #524, of Rockville, Conn. He was recently commissioned by President Nixon to serve as an assay commissioner and on February 9 he met with 28 other commissioners at the U. S. Mint in Philadelphia.

The meeting, held each year on the second Wednesday in February, is to examine and test, in the presence of the Director of the Mint, the weight and quality of the coins provided from the Philadelphia, San Francisco and Denver mints. During the year, each mint sets aside one coin from each 100,000 and these coins are the ones tested at the yearly meeting.

The testing process is called the 'Trail of the Pyx', a ceremony which started in England in the 13th century and in the United States in 1792.

The commissioners perform their duties without compensation. Each, however, was presented with a citation and a special commemorative Assay Medal which Krajewski proudly displays.

Herman is quite an outstanding numismatist. He is now the president of the Central Connecticut Coin Club of Manchester, Conn. and the Hartford Numismatic Society of West Hartford, Conn. Up until the first of the year Herman was also the president of the New England Numismatic Association. There are not many who can take a job of being president of three clubs in one year and all at the same time.

Although Herman was interested in elongates for many years, he also collects many other coins and currencies. He has also been a

speaker at many coin clubs and has shown slides of many coins. No matter what coins he is showing at the time, Herman slips in a few elongated coins, much to the delight of some people.

Herman has possibly the finest collection of Polish coins and currency in New England. He has exhibited non-competitively a small part of his collection at many coin shows. Herman in the past few years, has awarded a large silver bowl for the best exhibit of Polish coins or currency at the N.E.N.A. conventions. This award is given in memory of his father who was a great student of Polish History.

So congratulations to you, Herman Krajewski, from the officers and members of TEC on being appointed to the Assay Commission.

"THE NATIONAL AIR RACES 1933"A TRIBUTE TO AN UNLISTED ELONGATED

by Donald E. Sabo TEC #341



Since the beginning of manned flight man has always met the challenge put to him. Who can fly faster, longer, higher? Like the Wright Brothers others of the Golden Age of Aviation concerned themselves with laying the foundation for the coming decades of aviation technology thru the sport of air racing. Since air racing led the way for new designs, engines, etc., to be developed and these proto type aircraft opened new vistas for the future development of both military and commercial aircraft.

Airplane races had been developed to a high degree as a spectator sport both in Europe and America in the years prior to W.W.I and was, in fact one of the major public attractions in those years when aviation had not yet become a significant part of the military and commercial scene. The largest aircraft producing countries notably France, conducted race meetings and specific annual contests which were in later years to become world famous. Of course W.W.I put an end to such activity, but at the close of the war in 1919 it was again stepped up with great enthusiasm.

Following the close of W.W.I the nature of aircraft and the contestants changed greatly, no longer was it a rich

mans sport or conducted in an atmosphere befitting a social event. A new era was dawning, aviation was fast becoming an established industry, but still the vast majority of details concerning aircraft was still dominated by the military.

The first series of aircraft following the war was composed mainly of cleaned up military planes or similar airframes equiped with war developed powerplants. Because of a greater investment involved in the larger more complex aircraft the sportsman type pilot was soon eliminated from larger racing events such as the Schneider Trophy and Pulitzer Trophy events which were to be dominated by the larger aircraft manufacturers, syndicates, governments etc. The sporting pilots then had to be satisfied with the lower powered, war surplus type planes that better suited both their pocketbooks and piloting know how.

While many races were held in Europe, they in reality were quite different than those developing in America. Since America had technical, economic and geographical differences there soon evolved what we now call "The National Air Races".

By the mid-1920s annual National Air Races had become well established and were held for periods ranging from one week to ten days in length and included competitive events for pilots and just about any type aircraft. Of course the unlimited power events were still to be dominated by the military, but the sportsman had practically a free choice of the lesser events, that included everything

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from motorcycle engines up to the practical limit of 300 horsepower. Of most interest to the private pilots were races for specific models of commercial aircraft or those using the same type powerplants. In these type aircraft they could have their thrill of competition and at the same time hold down the major investment required.

In 1933 "The National Air Races" were held in Los Angeles, California, July 1st to the 4th, but were shortened to four days and restricted to free for all races by purely racing type planes of different cubic inch engined groups. The National Air Races presented in four days all the major speed and acrobatic events that were formerly held over a ten day span.

To clarify what composed the "National Air Races of 1933", we must first define what the event consisted of. There were two major events "The Bendix Trophy" and "The Thompson Trophy", plus twelve closed course races and two speed dashes. Prior to the National Air Races, many sundry races were held all across the United States in places like Chicago and many of the contestants followed a circuit which would eventually lead them to the Nationals. As mentioned above of course, the Bendix and Thompson Trophies were the races to win and both were recognized as great racing achievements.

The Bendix Trophy

Opening the National Air Races was the first event a Transcontinental Race from New York City to Los Angeles. On July 1st Roscoe Turner flying his 900 hp. Wedell-Williams racer streaked from coast to coast, 2,450 miles in a record breaking time of 11 hours and 30 minutes, at an average speed of 214.8 MPH which included four major gas stops. This was one of the few major speed records that would fall this year. Jimmy Wedell followed a close second at 209.23 MPH. Awarding of the Bendix Trophy signaled the beginning of the twelve closed course races and the speed dashes on July 2nd and 3rd. The Aerol Trophy Race was a 50 mile event and was the only contest open to women that year. Mae Haizlip flew her Wedell-Williams racer to a first place at 168 MPH. The fastest speeds of the closed course races were the Shell Speed Dashes that were flown over a 3 kilometer course. Diving from 1,200 feet and then low flying the course four times this event was also won by Roscoe Turner at 280.2 MPH and Jimmy Wedell again finished second at 278.9 MPH.

The Thompson Trophy

On July 4th grouped like a pack of race horses, six planes shot into the air. Roscoe Turner climbed his powerful ship to an altitude of 200 feet and twisted around the scattering pylon and came back onto the four pylon course. Turner streaked around the home pylon and headed into his second lap, trailing Turner, Jimmy Wedell dashed by on the third lap and Turner did not show up behind him. Flying so fast in the hazy sky filled with the odor of gasoline Turner had cut a pylon, (went on the inside instead of the outside of the course marker) on lap one and had doubled back on lap two to again circle the pylon. By this time Wedell was a mile ahead flying at full speed to a sure victory. But this proved untrue as Turner's superior power soon caught up to him and he proceeded to lengthen his lead to a mile at the finish of the 60 mile event.

Fate tho was to deal Turner an ill blow, the judges ruled that Turner should have re flown the cut pylon on his first lap and promptly declared Jimmy Wedell the winner of the Thompson Trophy at a speed

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of 238MPH. It is interesting to note that on September 4, 1933, Jimmy Wedell broke the land plane speed record and established a new worlds record of 305 MPH.

So it was that the 1930s showed great promise, as many worlds records were to fall during the years following the 1933 races. As one reviews photographs of these funny looking aircraft he soon recognizes the improvements that were developed in latter years in our now famous W.W.II aircraft. We owe much to the few who pioneered this phase of aviation to give us our modern aircraft that now take us, coast to coast in only a few hours compared with Roscoe Turners 11 hour and 30 minute flight of yesteryear.



Recently an unlisted "National Air Races" elongated showed up, I think much to the surprise of everyone. As I understand all of the pieces were holed for use on key chains or the like. Looking closely at the style of lettering etc. leads me to believe it was truly rolled in this period. Since this coin has no border and being curious I went to Mrs. Dottie Dow's book "The Elongated Collector" and noticed a similar appearance of the 1932 Olympic pieces Call.a #2, 2a, 2b. Possibly the person who engraved these dies had also engraved the air race die? So far only 9 pieces have come to light, a prominent California dealer purchased them all from a collector and in turn sold three to Mike O'Hara, a elongated dealer from Seattle, Washington. Being fortunate I purchased the last remaining piece from Mike. If only 9 pieces exist and it is possible, this elongated could prove to be a great rarity to the oldie collector of both aviation medals and elongateds.

Writing this paper I felt was needed as it provides again the much needed historical background of our elongated hobby.

CONGRATULATIONS

Elton Parsons, TEC #41, of York, Penn. won the "Best of Show" with his elongated exhibit at the York Coin Show, held March 11 - 13 at York, Penn. It does your heart good when you just win, but getting the "Best of Show", thats really something. Mr. Parsons had two showcases of elongated coins of Worlds Fairs and Expositions, from 1893 - Expo 67. The other case gave the history and production of an elongated coin. So congratulations again to Mr. Parsons.

CURIOSITY AROUSES INTEREST

by Verlee Waterman TEC #525

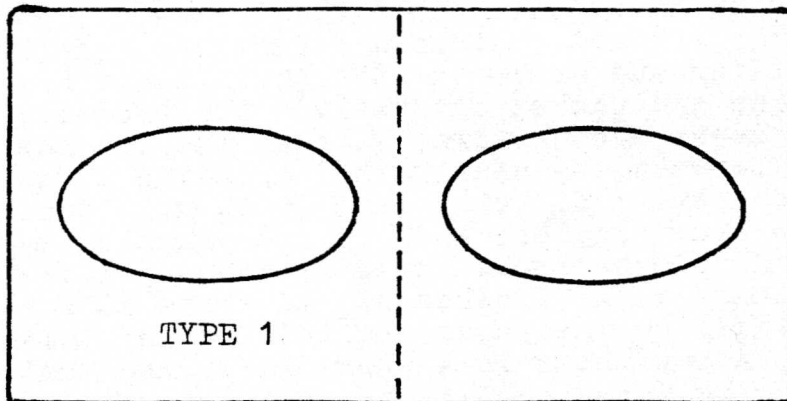
I got into the realm of coin collecting four years ago. Started on a modest scale with emphasis on medals and foreign commemorative crowns. Had someone told me then, that I would soon become interested in elongated coins, I would have not believed them.

Last summer I bought a tiny box of foreign minor coins, which had been saved by someone throughout the years. In this box were perhaps 18 or 20 coins and two elongated cents. There was no difficulty tracing the old foreign coins but the elongateds were something else again. After finally learning a little bit about them and receiving a fair offer I found I was unable to part with them. Not only had curiosity aroused my interest for more information, but I developed a liking for them and a desire to collect them.

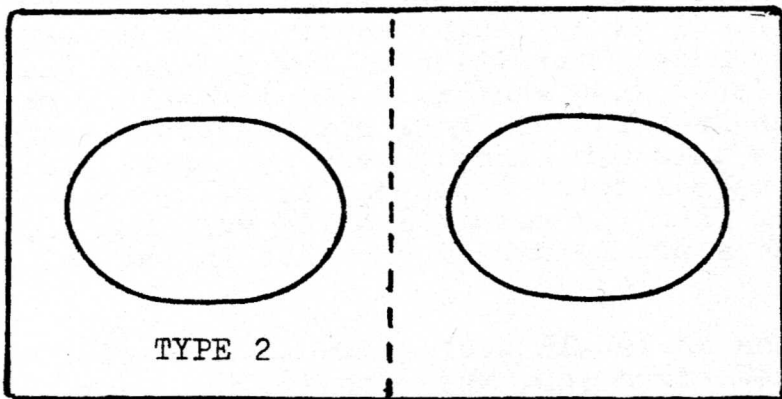
It was a lucky day when fellow collector, Pearl Crabb, submitted my name to TEC for membership. How stimulating to be greeted into an organization by people like the Wagaman's and Kirka's and at the height of the busy Christmas season! So, with my four old elongateds and a dozen or so new ones, I look forward to an interesting association with elongated coins and TEC.

(Editors note: Welcome to our TEC family and may your stay with us be a long one. Happy hunting for your elongated coins. You will find that this is a very fascinating hobby.)

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PRE-COLUMBIAN ELONGATE

by John Spadone TEC #422

It was Saturday afternoon at one of the coin shows, when the activities were practically at a standstill, that I decided to sit down and relax. A few moments later I noticed an odd-looking character moving slowly in my direction. He was clutching a cigar box and by the looks of his weatherbeaten hat and clothing I decided, that he might be a seaman. He approached the dealer next to me and I was surprised when he spoke, for his voice came out in hisses and growls. I looked more closely at the man and noticed a laced cloth around his neck and then, I realized that he had had a throat operation which would cause his vocal sound to be distorted.

As he handed the dealer the cigar box I was able to make out that he was asking, "How much?" The dealer dumped the hundreds of coins out on the table and ran his fingers indifferently through the lot. He told the man, that what he had there, was junk-just minor coins from around the world, the same that he had in his 10¢ box. The dealer shrugged and offered the man \$25.00 for the lot. Incensed by the dealer's lack of interest the man began to gather up his coins while hissing and growling some indecent remarks.

Now I had been watching this little drama with much interest and when I saw the coins on the table, I felt a quiver as I saw four brown elongates mixed in with the others. My excitement increased with the idea that there might be more. So, as the man muttered and started on his way I called to him, "Hey mate," let me take a look at your coins. I noticed something that I might be able to use. I go for elongated coins and if they are not the Lord's Prayers, I'll buy them." He listened to my offer and handed me the box. I quickly ran my fingers through the coins and picked out twelve old brownish elongates, six of which I had never seen before. I asked the man how much he wanted for these. Between the hissing and growling I was able to understand that he had about a nickel apiece in them. I then made an offer of more than the other dealers and the man practically snatched the money from my hand. As he spoke again he was so excited that I could not understand him, so I asked him to write it for me. He began to scribble hurriedly on the paper. He told me in this note, that he had another elongate at home in a desk drawer and that when he got back to New Orleans he would send it to me free. I suppose that I had ingratiated myself with the generous offer and he was anxious to show his appreciation. I then asked him what kind of elongate he had. Again he scribbled on the paper and I could hardly wait to see what he had written. I truly caught my breath as I read his answer, an 1885 Cotton Centennial Exposition of New Orleans! Now if that isn't pre-Columbian I don't know what is. The seaman had no reason to make up this story as he certainly knew nothing about any elongates or dates. I believe this man since I know for sure that there was such an event, as I have a token from that fair!

I'm still waiting to hear from the seaman and I'm sure that if he is still alive there will be a pre-Columbian elongate in the mail for me someday.

Editors Note;

I wish you lots of luck John as we all would like to know if you get the coin. Please let us hear from you, when you do.

NOTICE--NOTICE--NOTICE

Get a friend to join The Elongated Collectors in this coming year.

AN ENGLISH COLLECTOR

by Frank A. Shelmerdine TEC #447

What makes an Englishman get hooked on elongated coins? Well, being a nut is not essential but it does help.

Having been a keen collector of Roman coins for many years it was not unnatural that, when visiting the U.S.A. for the first time back in 1968, I should look around for coin shops as soon as the work of the day was completed. I had discovered that, if you tried to buy a ticket on the New York underground, (sorry - subway) you were given a token instead. Being in the electric railway business, these tokens seemed to be a logical combination of my numismatic and professional interests. So upon arrival in Chicago, I searched out RARCOA on North Clark Street and looked for more transportation tokens. I found them, but I also bought two Lincoln cents which someone had squashed out like a sausage and impressed a design on. One showed a battleship with the inscription 25th anniversary of sinking of U.S.S. Chicago, while the other commemorated the sequi-centennial of Illinois. Both had the initials L.W. on them. Presumably he was the chap who had squashed the coins, but who was he?

A further visit resulted in me obtaining two more cents, one with a Donkey named Humphrey and Muskie and the other with an Elephant named Nixon and Agnew. What strange names you Yanks give to the Donkies and Elephants! These two cents had the initials D.D. on them. Who was this fellow?

Well eventually I acquired a good friend called, Jack Wilcox and all was revealed. Now I know that L.W. is a nice guy living in Camby, Indiana and D.D. just ain't no fellah. Thanks to the help of Jack the Mailman and his long suffering wife, Lloyd Wagaman and Dottie Dow I have a growing collection of elongated coins and I am as nuts as the rest of them.

As far as I know there is no one in England rolling coins, so I am dependent upon U.S. supplies. Poor old Jack has to do all his scavenging round flea markets and dealers, remembering he has an extra mouth to feed, when he finds elongates. I think that it is great fun and I hope he does.

(Editors note; I really appreciated hearing from our fellow member from England. Lets hear from other members from other countries.)



INDIANAPOLIS COIN CLUB

Lloyd E. Wagaman, newly elected president of the Elongated Collectors Club, was recently a guest speaker, at the 384th meeting of the Indianapolis Coin Club.

Mr. Wagaman covered the four different methods of making elongated coins in his talk and had samples of each on hand. He brought along many other rare coins from his collection and his talk was interesting and educational to all. Everyone in attendance received a rolled out coin as a mememto.

Club member Frank Russell exhibited elongated coins which have been issued this past year. U.S. Assay coins rolled on Philly cents and also rolled on 1971-S cents. Also shown were hand engraving, etching, pantographing and hand stamping.

(Sent in by Frank Russell a member of the Board of Directors of the Indianapolis Coin Club.)

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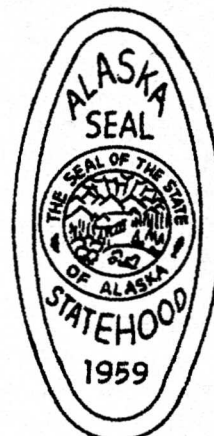


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TIRED OR RETIRED ?

by O. Wilson Morgan TEC #183

On November 26, 1970, I reached that golden day all peons look forward to. The day of retirement, sixty two years at hard labor and now, out in the green pasture. The years of working for the government in Washington, sights engineer in Texas, metalurgist, chemist and even a toolmaker, had culminated on this day.

So work on you slaves, as I'm turning my talents and time, to the collecting and study of elongates. A hobby I had started some time before, but had become deeply interested upon attaining a copy of Dottie Dows book. Autographed at that.

The first few months rolled by faster than I thought possible. The classifying, the fifty power scope work on the back of various elongates to determine the characteristics of each roller and die, whether made by him or someone else. The hunt thru flea markets, coin shows etc, made each day far to short.

Then the roof fell in. Maybe it was too much drive, to much concentration, I don't know, but all of a sudden I had, "had it", "clear up to here," as they say. My head ached, my eyes hurt, even my type-writting fingers (thumb and index) were sore. I had gained 25 pounds and three notches on my belt. Boy was I in a bad way. A good friend (a real life saver) suggested, I get a light job somewhere. Where at my age?

Would you believe it, I found one. A custodian in an Elementary School. I was put in charge of the cafeteria and also the Administration Building. I soon found the rest I had enjoyed so much was going to cost me dearly. 600 plus, screaming, running, fighting, food throwing kids, along with two dozen teachers, one principal, two secretaries, six cooks and various other help. These aren't the ingredients for a serene and peaceful day.

I dropped the extra pounds, the notches in my belt and two more besides. I started eating like a horse and sleeping like a baby. Boy was I getting back in shape, but fast. Then the brilliant idea came to me. Mrs. Morgans little boy, "Billie" wasn't any dummy. He'd show those little rascals a thing or two about in-fighting.

So with the approval of the Principal, two loose leaf binders, with a full page of elongates, also two sets of Wagaman's elongates, were to be given for no running, no spilt milk, no loud talking, no fighting, no feet upon chairs. Like my old namesake of years gone by. I had "them there hoodlums strung up by their thumbs."

Oh yeah! So, not being able to stop blubbering and not wanting you "elongatiers," to see a grown man cry. I better close by saying, "I didn't accomplish much, but I'm one devil of a popular fellow." I also think I've got a lot of future members for TEC.

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STILL LOOKING

by Harold Anderson TEC #483

First I would like to congratulate our editors for a wonderful job on the last issue of TEC NEWS and all the nice articles in it.

Well after a few nice spring days out here in Caro, winter came back for about three days. I'm sure spring will be here before we know it. By the time you read this, summer will be here.

I'm still looking for **some** elongated silver dollars or some half dollars. I wish someone would sell me some or let me know where I could buy them. I'd appreciate any help I can get on this. The elongated coins are beautiful and I enjoy this hobby. I'm also happy I joined TEC. I hope to have some elongated coins to pass out at the convention in New Orleans.

I got my application for exhibiting at the A.N.A. convention as I hope to exhibit there. So I will send in my application card in as soon as I can.

I was sure glad to see Sally Kirka put in the article about the Jung Hotel. This gave us all an idea of what is what, at the hotel and convention. We have our reservation already and this year, we will be in the same hotel as other members. So until August, my wife Alice and I hope to see you all there.

I was recently appointed A.N.A. District Representative of Michigan and I will try my best to fill the bill. If I can be of any help to any one, just let me know.

(Editors Note: Congratulations to you Mr. Anderson on being appointed District Representative of Michigan. We all know, you will do a good job. Good luck to you, from all of us.)

A SPECIAL THANKS TO COIN WORLD

Did you folks see the nice article in the February 9th issue of Coin World? We don't know who put the article in, but I must say it gave our TEC a boost. It was such a pleasant surprise to be looking through COIN WORLD and see TEC in the headline. A heartfelt thanks goes to the one who put the article in.

I would suggest to those members of TEC who do not receive the COIN WORLD, to subscribe to COIN WORLD now. It is one paper no coin collector should be without. I've been getting it for years and have enjoyed it very much.

HOW I STARTED MAKING ELONGATES

by Donald Adams TEC #518

I am a banker by profession, and have been a coin and medal collector for many years.

I started making elongated coins last year. The bank I work for changed its name and wanted an elongated coin to commemorate its change. I designed a coin with the bank's new logo, name and address, and the year the bank started and the year the name changed.

In January of this year I started an "Elongated Type Series" and had great success with it. The series consists of 36 coins which are issued at the rate of two coins each month.

I'm in the process of starting a new series of "FIRST DAY ISSUES". The first of the series is "FAMILY PLANNING". The subscription will be limited to 250 subscribers for the first issue.

I've had the opportunity to write to and hear from many fine people in the elongated field.

I really enjoy rolling and designing elongated coins and I hope to bring forth new and better things for the elongated collector.



A LETTER TO THE EDITORS

by John Spadone TEC #422

I received my Jan.-Feb.-March issue of TEC NEWS on Dec. 29th and it's one of the best in a long time. Sally and Al did a wonderful job. The gift they received with their name on the elongated is the sincerest surprise. We need more of these original ideas. Thank you for sending me one.

I thoroughly enjoyed the article "King of Elongateds" 1883 Hawaiian half dollar, by Maurice Gould. It was well written to hold my interest down to the last word. I agree, Brownie Gill deserves a medal for such devotion to his hobby. The only thing I can say is, that if Brownie let this jewel slip through his fingers, then I would be standing next to Saint Peter waiting for Mr. Gould to arrive. Can there be more interest than that? The article award idea is what we need for motivation and I would like to see one annual award for the person who has done more for the hobby that year. Wilcox's article on the eight commandments and the 'dirty old man' who left out #6, #9 got a chuckle out of me. Nothing escapes that intriguing husband and wife team, when they hit a flea market (working both ends to the middle.)

I wish to thank Bob Dempsey for accepting my Merit Award for me, and I was completely taken by surprise when he gave it to me. Can you ask for a more thoughtful numismatist? Elongated coins mounted on a cane is interesting. Mr. Heitman has elongates mounted on a knife and on a piece of burnt wood from the ship S.S. Morro Castle and probably others.

A CORRECTION IS IN ORDER

I reread the A.N.A. request application for the Educational Award Certificates and they are given only for local clubs - not regional or national associations. So I'm sorry, but that leaves us out. In other words you have to get the certificates in your own local club, if they are a member of the A.N.A. If they are not yet a member, ask your club to join the A.N.A. As an A.N.A. club representative I will gladly sponsor them.

Sally Kirka - TEC representative to A.N.A.

SEVEN YEARS IS A LONG TIME

by Lloyd E. Wagaman TEC #33

My Statehood Series of elongated coins took me seven years to complete. The first produced was "Indiana" sesquicentennial and this was in 1966. In fact, in the beginning it wasn't planned to be a complete series. I made the Mississippi Sesquicentennial, the Nebraska Centennial and the Kentucky 175th anniversary in 1967 and it was about this time that I decided it would be good to do a full series of all 50 states. When it was announced that I intended to do a full series, they were an immediate success. My list of approval customers grew to 80 collectors, that wanted everything I rolled which was mostly Statehood pieces.

It has been a long drawn out affair and there have been many times I have said I was sorry I ever started a large series. If it had not been for feeling an obligation to those collectors that had started collecting the series I would probably have abandoned the idea after about the 2nd or 3rd year. I even got several letters that asked if the series would be completed. There were collectors that wanted to collect the series, but hesitated to start unless they knew it could be completed.

Now that all 50 States have been finished, I look back at the series with a feeling of pride and I am proud to be able to offer the collector, a fine series at a reasonable cost. I also appreciate the many nice compliments I have had concerning this series, over the past seven years.

The lowest mintage for any state was 500 cents and the largest was 2250 cents. Most of these issues are still available by the single piece, but the Mississippi is in such short supply that I only have it available now in complete sets.

Although I have made a number of coins of various subjects, I believe the elongated collectors of the future will think of me mostly as the producer of the Statehood Series rather than as the producer of my other coins.

Hope you will all enjoy the Series. I am thrilled to have it completed.

(Editors note: I am one of the proud owners of these sets. I have exhibited them five times and have won each time. At one coin show I got a "Best of Show", on this exhibit I'm proud to say. When I won all I could think of was, "Thank you Mr. Wagaman for making them". So keep up the good work, so I can win some more. As the years go by, I predict these will greatly increase in value. No I don't intend to sell any of mine.)

MIDWEST ELONGATED COLLECTORS

The first official meeting of the Midwest Elongated Collectors, was held on Feb.11,1972 in Chicago, Illinois. There were ten members and one guest present at the meeting. Nomination of Officers and Directors was held. Ballots were sent to all members and were officially counted March 25,1972. The new officers of the club are:

President - - - - - Rudolph Skaritka
Vice President - - - - - Henry Blaha
Secretary - - - - - Betty Kirby
Treasurer - - - - - Burton Neal Levy
Board of Directors - - - - - James E.Hicks
Board of Directors - - - - - Milton Heitman
Board of Directors - - - - - David J. Singer

As of April 1972, the Midwest Elongated Collectors has reached a membership of fifty. Anyone wishing to join, can write to Mr. Burton Neal Levy, P.O.Box 3082, Merchandise Mart, Chicago, Ill,60654

The following letter was received by Lloyd E. Wagaman from our nine year old member Eric Greenwood, TEC #404. It was decided to re-print his letter in its entirety as it would be better, than trying to write an article to explain about their hobby night. TEC can be proud to have this young fellow for a member.

Dear Mr. Wagaman;

The time finally came for our Scout troop to have their hobby night. This is what I had been waiting for, so that I could have the chance to show my elongated coins to most people. I was the only real coin collector in the Scouts, so my display went over BIG!! No one who came to the open house had ever seen elongated coins and it really was a big point of interest the whole evening. My Dad helped me mount my coins on a large board and we also made a large card that is an exact duplicate of our club membership cards. We took some pictures of the mounted coins and the membership duplicate and as soon as they are developed and if they turn out good I will be happy to send you a copy. You have been so kind to me and did so much to encourage me, I want you to see these pictures.

One man who I had never met, is very interested in becoming an elongated coin collector, so I told him that I would write to you that I think that you would be the best person to give him some ideas and any kind of information that he would need. I will give you his address, so will you please write to him? You could tell him that I am the one who had the coins on display and the rattlesnake rattlers, that way he will know that I kept my promise to have you contact him.

I also gave a talk about how we all think the hobby started long ago and me and my Mom answered all the questions that anybody asked us. Everyone complimented me on my hobby because it is so unusual. Most of the Scouts have a pet or stamps as a hobby. I have 24 rabbits, a fish tank, a dog and a canary, but my very, very favorite is my elongated coins. My Dad is the Scout reporter, so he may mention my display in the church news letter that goes to about 1,000 people in our congregation. My Mom is helping me with this letter.

Eric Greenwood

A BOOST FOR TEC IN 'LOS ANGELES TIMES'

A real nice article entitled "Elongated Coins Grow in Popularity" by Maurice M. Gould appeared in the L.A. Times in early April. The article described briefly how an elongated coin is made and also gave other information concerning the hobby. It also gave mention of "The Elongated Collectors". TEC is grateful to both Maurice M. Gould and the Los Angeles Times for this publicity, of our hobby and Club.

CONVENTION BADGES \$2.30 EACH

Convention badges from the past TEC conventions are still available from the secretary for \$2.30 postage and insurance included. If you do not have them all, it would be a good idea to order them now, while they are still available. There are none left from the 1967 convention. Once the supply is gone, the only way to get them is from another collector that has given up the collecting of elongated coins. In other words, it will be mighty hard to find one for sale, once the supply is gone. Do not wait. Send in your order to the secretary; Mrs. Alberta Wagaman, Route 1, Box 195-D, Camby, Indiana 46113

THE ELONGATED COIN HOBBY TODAY

by Angelo A. Rosato TEC #23

Many years ago, before I started to collect anything, I found my first elongated coin. It was rolled on a 1910 Lincoln cent. On the obverse side was, I thought, just a deer's head with the letters, "B.P.O.E." This of course represented the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. However, not knowing this at the time, or what I had, or the purpose of this flattened out coin, I merely tossed it into my other so called junk and forgot about it.

It would be most irrelevant to relate my early interest in collecting. Like most of us, it all began with coins, later medals and still later specializing in series of medals and again like most phases of collecting - it was endless.

To collect a variety of coins or medals, I had to become knowledgeable in those I wished to obtain or had acquired. A numismatic library was therefore an early ambition. This was soon accomplished, as I sought out a cross section of literature and books for my specific needs. One book was published in 1965, however and since it had no reference to anything I collected, my curiosity was aroused. I bought a copy of "The Elongated Collector" by Dottie Dow.

With every collector going in various directions of numismatics or exonumia, it all seemed to me like a rat race. "Now what about this elongated coin thing," I thought. It could be a refreshing challenge. With this enchantment therefore, I sought out my first specimens. It was exciting as my acquisitions grew -- especially when I acquired some of the older issues.

To date, no one has come up with an elongated coin older than those made in 1893 for the Columbian Exposition. Recently it was rumored there was one made earlier in Europe, but thus far nothing to substantiate this as a fact has been revealed. Therefore, elongateds are relatively young in comparison with other phases of collecting.

If one does not already know what an elongated coin is, it would be best to explain that in producing one, a coin, token or medal is placed between two steel rollers - one roller being with engraved design. It emerges flattened and oval in shape. The obverse is embossed with the design, while the reverse may retain some detail of the coin from which it was rolled. To go into the mechanics of the rolling procedures would best be saved for another article.

Design or subjects vary in elongateds. These are most fascinating when one studies the workmanship involved in producing them. The earlier specimens were the product of fairs for souvenirs. Then advertising cards appeared, as well as those issued by organizations representative of events of the times or in honor of some personality. In effect, this is not much different than the subjects found on many other medals. Most outstanding in the character of any elongated coin however, are the engravings.

In days past, to roll a coin with subject matter thereon, steel dies were all engraved by hand and all in reverse - (backwards or upside down as one would think of it), because when the coin passes between the rollers, it finishes up with the design right side up. This is actually the same as any hub or die readied for the striking of coins or medals. The only difference is the coin is rolled instead of being struck.

To collect the older elongateds is as challenging as rare coin collecting - scarce and sometimes costly. However, modern elongateds have appeared on the scene reasonable in price and easily obtainable.

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During the past three years new rollers have come into being, and today perhaps ten exist that produce them. Most dies, however, are commercially engraved and somehow the nostalgic beauty has been lost. Nevertheless, interest is growing, as is the organization called T.E.C. (The Elongated Collectors.)

There is much that could be said about the modern elongated in respect to design, subject matter, price or the modern engravers of the dies and the producers of the coins. There has been some controversy connected with every aspect mentioned during the last few years. One must keep in mind, however, that the people who produce the modern elongateds are usually hobbyists themselves. They represent a very small group who have dedicated themselves to manufacturing them regardless of the varied opinions from all sides.

Some equipment currently in operation is actually that used at the early fairs, while others use modern equipment. Dies are seldom engraved by hand on the modern issues, thus the services of commercial engravers is required. To make ends meet costwise, the manufacturer sells wholesale, or else produces copies by the thousands for sale. Each manufacturer seeks out which is best for his own situation.

Having personally collected elongateds for nearly three years, my interest has covered just about every phase associated with them. With the aid of friendly collectors. I was able to locate a rolling machine, circa 1925 or so. After many weeks of research, as well as many trials and errors, I produced my first issues. The hours required to produce this issue were many, each filled with anxieties, in my search to find the secrets of the "old masters". There was nobody to consult regarding the methods of die segments, engravings, or the type of steel to use. To provide myself with commercial engravers was too costly for my ideas of return revenue. I was determined to produce the elongates in a limited amount, so as not to exceed the demand. I disapproved of the idea of producing them in the thousands, as this would destroy the value of the specimen over the years. I was determined to make only enough to satisfy the needs of those who wanted them, and decided never to make an issue that would exceed a mintage of 250, unless it was a subject that might interest other collectors. Then the mintage might go a little higher.

With these goals in mind, I tried my hand at engraving the steel dies. I met with several obstacles, but inasmuch as my profession is that of a jeweler, my early attempts were eventually successful. My professional background in design, lettering and some engraving experience aided me along the way. Soon I was able to cut (engrave) a well executed die in about fourteen hours and all of this was done by hand. Each die was a challenge. As the months passed by and aided by better hand tools and some sophisticated equipment as well as experience, the engraving time was cut back to an average of three to four hours. My subject matter was selective. Now I was in a position to give the collector the protection of low mintage issues, as well as an elongated coin that was made and produced exactly as it was in by-gone days. I might add, with due modesty and respect to other rollers, I am the only known person in the United States who produces elongateds from start to finish. That is, all the designs and art work for the subjects is done solely by myself. Low carbon steel segments and engraving of these dies, along with all of the processes connected with the dies, are personally made by myself. Finally, I do my own rolling and distribution. I am proud to boast about this. To date I have engraved over 100 dies and in my opinion

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each issue is worthy of placement in anyone's collection. To cite an example, the Apollo 7 Space Shot took place on October 11, 1968. Two hours later, the tribute subject was on the drawing board. One hour after "Splash Down" the first "Apollo 7" elongated coin was made.

As for the elongated hobby today, it is being enjoyed by many. More and more collectors are joining in the search for the older issues. Many just seek the modern elongateds in whole or by topic. Some collect in "sets", which consist of those rolled on each United States denomination, or those on foreign coins.

Regarding prices, there is much to be desired in the structure of valuation or standardization for some of the older pieces. A recent mail auction bidder was successful in paying \$300.00 for a single elongated and yet there is no known record of how many of this specimen were made. No doubt, there is a need for more knowledge and facts pertaining to the mintage of the earlier issues of elongateds.

It is with pride that I have presented to the reader this small portion of information pertaining to elongated coins. I hope that I have highlighted this interest for some collectors. I would be only too happy to acknowledge all inquiries on this subject if anyone cares to write to me.

(Editors Note: It should be noted that there are at least three rollers in the United States that do everything concerning the producing, of an elongated coin themselves personally, with the exception of turning down the blank rollers. Each of these three, would be entirely capable of turning their own rollers, but they say it is to expensive to own a lathe just for the one purpose of making elongated rollers.)

NEW ISSUES-by C. Meccarello, 228 Vassar Rd., Poughkeepsie, N.Y. 12603

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CORRECTION - - - In last issue of TEC NEWS on page 30 - -

Coins Elongated #3, should have read - Coins Elongated #3 Check- 75¢

EDITORS LAMENT (Author unknown)

from Ruby Threlkeld TEC #202

Getting out a publication has its problems. If we print jokes, some readers call it kid stuff. If we don't, others say we don't appreciate them. If we run them verbatim, the book is full with junk.

If we change the other fellow's copy, we're too critical. If we don't, we are reproved for slipshod editing. If we don't correct the spelling, we are ignorant.

If we clip items from other publications, we're too lazy to write them ourselves. Like as not, you'll even say we borrowed this one. You're absolutely right. We did.

Sally and Al, we love you and appreciate your fine TEC NEWS.

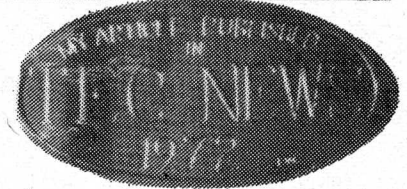
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Mr. Spadone would like to see an annual award for the person who has done more for the hobby that year.

Anyone else who has a suggestion for the good of the club. Please send it in.



T E C NEWS COIN



The special coin issued by Lloyd E. Wagaman for presentation to all members that have an article published in the 1972 T E C NEWS, has been mailed to all members who have earned the award. The first fifteen of these serial numbered coins were sent to members having an article published in the Jan.-Feb.-March issue. The serial number of the coin, along with the title of the article and the name of the recipient are listed below for those with articles in the April-May-June issue.

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CALENDER CLUB ISSUE

by Jack Meccariello TEC #124

On Feb. 2, 1972 I mailed out to all members of the 1972 Calender Club, three elongated coins. Those that paid in advance received one elongated coin with JM all over the elongated coin, one elongated with 1972 Calender on it, one elongated coin for January and one elongated coin for February. As a bonus I made a membership coin for all members. Those that are paying on time payment received the members elongated coin and the Jan. and Feb. elongated coins. They will receive the other two (the JM and the 1972 elongates) at the end of the year.

As I stated in the TEC NEWS no more orders would be taken for the 1972 Calender, after the TEC NEWS was out for thirty days. The time is up and please don't ask for the calender, because its to late. I can tell you now, that one member bought ten sets and I think that he bought them to sell at a later date. Since I am not sure what he is going to do with them I will not mention his name. I think that he will sell them at a later date with an ad in TEC NEWS.

HOW I STARTED TO COLLECT ELONGATED COINS-by J. Harvey Burham TEC #494

I read with great interest the stories in the TEC NEWS and I note the similarity of most stories, that so many people got started by someone giving them a "Lords Prayer" elongate. My first one was an elongate from the St. Louis Worlds Fair and here is how it happened.

Over fifty years ago, I was about ten years old then, my cousin who lived across the street from us, came home from World War I. He brought home the usual souvenirs, coins, paper money etc. When he got tired showing it around and giving some away, he handed me a cigar box about half full of things and said, "Start yourself a collection." I can still remember how proud I was. The teacher even had me show them in class. Every where I went I carried some piece of foreign money in my pocket to show off.

Once I showed some coins to an Uncle of mine from out of town and he said, he would give me something to add to my collection. When he handed it to me he told me not to give it away, but to always keep it, because it would be worth something some day. I didn't know what it was and he told me how he had got it at the Worlds Fair in St. Louis and it was an Indian head penny rolled out, with a picture of the Fair on it.

Now I did have something to show. Believe it or not, later in the day, a neighbor gave me another one, a 1904 Theodore Roosevelt for president. As the years went on, I continued to add to my coins, some medals, postcards, phonograph records, buttons, old stamped envelopes, first day covers and a few more elongates. A few I bought of those I could afford and others I traded for. It amazes me when I think of the large amount of nice things that friends, neighbors and relatives have given me. I wonder if other collectors have the same good luck.

Now that I am in forced retirement, following heart surgery and activities limited, I get a great deal of pleasure from my various hobbies. I'm in the process now of mounting the elongates on cards. I aquired a small amount of plastic snap-lock boxes, 2" x 3", clear plastic. I place the elongate in a cello envelope for cents and staple it to the small card that will fit in the box. I staple it over to one side so I have room on the card to print an identification.

I don't have a very large collection of the elongates and I didn't specialize. I have a variety of issues of old and new elongates. Five years ago I entered a case of elongated coins, in the Port City Coin Club spring show. I placed them in the "Odd and Curious" category and I won second place ribbon. Next time I expect to do better, with better mounting and display. I have a lot to learn about elongates so must get the book by Dottie Dow and also I must find how to get the book that lists elongates. I must also make a rubbing of one I have. This one is probably not listed, as a dealer gave it to me. The dealer didn't know what it was and said he would leave it to me to find out. I'll send it to Bob Callander soon.

The Port City Coin Club, of which I have been a member for many years was organized in 1938, my number is 27. I have had the honor of holding every office in the club at one time or other and have served as President on two different occasions. I have two large silver past presidents medals with my name on them.

Last year the A.N.A. sent me a letter asking if I would be at the convention in Washington D.C. I answered that I could not go on account of my health. They wished to give me a 25 year medal, so I

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received it in the mail. It's a silver medal a little smaller than a half dollar, with my name on it and A.N.A. year member. I'm very proud of this medal.

Thank you for a good news letter or publication I know what work it is to publish such a job like this. I was an A.N.A. representative for our coin club for several years. I also wrote to other publications. Takes a lot of time and concentration and a better typist than me. Looking forward to reading the next TEC issue.

(Editors note; Thank you Mr. Burham for those kind words. It only makes me want to work harder to please everyone.)

NUMISMATIST OR COIN COLLECTOR

by Herman Krajewski TEC #524

Numismatist or coin collector, I would say a member of TEC is a numismatist, if they collect older elongated cents. Many of the elongated cents that have passed through my hands are historical and different.

It is no problem at all to collect a series of recent coins such as Franklin halves, Washington quarters, Jefferson nickels, Roosevelt dimes and Lincoln cents. How many know or remember history behind these men once they leave school.

With elongated coins if one studies a few of the Pan Pacific series or Columbian Exposition, the different buildings and exhibits, the trade or store cards as some would be called issued at these periods, this is history. A person has to research a good number of books to get information on this type of coin. This again is numismatics.

These days many elongated cents are made and used as calling cards and greeting cards, very interesting and enjoyable too. My favorite is Dotties Dows cupid, this one I have on a slide and have shown it to different numismatic organizations around this area. I usually show this slide on Ladies Night, which generally is a date chosen in February to coincide with Valentines Day. So many of the males are bashful and this is truly a helping hand for them.

My speciality is Polish coinage. Elongated cents would fit in nicely if they pertained to Poland. I have medals and medalets but no elongated cents as yet.

ELONGATEDS ON CANADIAN COINS

by Ruby Trelkeld TEC #202

It is only fitting that our neighbors on the North, that great country of Canada, be honored on a set of elongateds. In 1967 Dottie Dow issued a beautiful set of elongateds with the emblem, the maple leaf of Canada on each. In the center of each leaf is engraved the likeness of the animals used on their coins in 1967. On the cent is the dove of peace in flight, on the five cent piece is a hopping rabbit, on the ten cent piece is the Mackerel fish, the twenty five cent piece has a bob cat, the fifty cent piece has a howling wolf and the Canadian goose in flight is on the dollar piece. Dottie Dow did an exceptionally fine job of rolling these coins.

If you want to make an educational exhibit and want to add something beautiful to your collection, why not purchase a set of these from Dottie Dow. By using a white background and maple leaves cut from red felt, and the copper elongateds, a person is almost sure of having a winning exhibit. Why not try it!

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All elongated coins above are listed in Dottie Dows book

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Thomas Edison, Fort Meyers, Fla. - - - 50¢
Bayfront Center, St. Petersburg, Fla. - 50¢
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In Memoriam, Richmond, Indiana - - - 50¢
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AN ADVENTURE IN TAXCO, MEXICO 1972

by David J. Singer TEC #423

In all the foreign countries I have visited in the last several years, I did not find one elongated coin. Mexico proved to be no exception.

At the famous "Thieves Market", in Mexico City there were many stands displaying coins, but no-one knew what an elongated coin looked like.

From Mexico City we traveled to Taxco, known as the "Silver Capital of the World". Imagine my surprise when I stepped out of the Victoria Hotel and just across the street was a large silver souvenir sales store and in a corner a roll out machine!

I always carry one elongate in my wallet. Its always easier to show than to try to explain. The owner of the shop looked at me. I could see he had no idea what I was saying. Fortunately for me there was a young man nearby who was bilingual and upon examining my elongate translated my message to the owner.

"This American he makes souvenirs from a machine like this". The owners face lit up. By this time I had a 20 centavos coin slotted between the two blank rollers and was turning the handles. It's been 38 years (1934 Chicago World's Fair), since I rolled a coin through and I just couldn't resist trying the machine. The owner took the roll-out from the back of the machine and rerolled it. Now it was much elongated. By the expression on his face, I could see he was fascinated.

By a roll of his head, without a spoken word, he suggested I follow him. We went up a staircase, down a hall and into a room. It was his workshop. There were all kinds of stamping tools, motors, polishers, etc. He was looking at me to see if I was impressed. Then he had me follow him further down the hall to another room. Here he had silver wires and other tools and machines and in pantomime showed me how he split silver wires by having them drawn thru various size holes.

We returned to the elongate machine, or shall we call it a roller machine, on the main floor. The owner took a copper 20 centavos coin from his pocket and placed it between the rollers and turned the wheels. He handed it to me and I gave him a bright one peso coin for it. He interpreted it to mean that I intended him to roll that out, for that is exactly what he did. He looked at the elongated and his expression was sad. I understood it at once, for one could see very little on the bright coin. So I fished out some coins from my pocket and handed him one that was gritted and soiled. This one he rolled out and upon looking at it his face was one big smile.

By this time I had learned that the roll-out machine cost the owner about \$250.00. I hurriedly ran across the street to my room and came back with my super-eight color movie camera. The light in the corner of the store where the machine was mounted, was poor. A red triangle in the upper left hand corner of the viewer told me that, but never-the-less the Taxco Mexican owner turned the wheels and I recorded the event. How did the film come out? Fair, but to a collector of elongates, it will be interesting and enjoyable.

Now it has occurred to me that this Mexican used all kinds of metal to thin out, on his machine. Perhaps he thought rolling coins out instead of ordinary metal would be wasteful. Is it possible it is against the Mexican law to deface these coins?

Now in the future, should any of our readers chance to travel to Taxco, Mexico and find elongated coin souvenirs there, I'll know I planted the bug in one Taxco merchant's mind.

THE ELONGATED COIN MUSEUM

by C. Gus Meccarello TEC #40

I have received quite a few letters about my Elongated Museum. This is the full story. Since I have been collecting elongates for many years and my collection started to grow, I had to find a place to store these elongates, in fairly good order.

What started out to be my play room, ended up as my elongated coin Museum. I have been asked, how I keep and display all my elongates. As I try to collect one of each variety elongate on different coins. I am what you call a set collector.

Many of these sets are on display in 3x3 and 4x4 plastic cases, which are put on 1" strips of plastic 12 cases in a row. These are hung up on the walls of my Museum. I try to keep each rollers sets together, but this is quite impossible as each roller interrupts my arrangements of these elongates. Every so often, as each roller sends me more sets, I have to rearrange these elongates to be in their order. Some of these elongates which I have that come to more than 6 or 8 in a set. Some are as many as 21 in a set, are kept in small display cases. I have made these display cases and these can be used when ever I show my elongates.

Still all this does not quite give me enough room, so quite a few of my elongates are put in 2x2's and inserted in 20 pocket vinyl pages. Each roller has a separated loose leaf note book with any information given to me by the different rollers pertaining to amount rolled, when and if dies are destroyed or defaced etc.

The Museum also has quite a few, but not all of the first day issues of covers, with elongated coins in them. These alone make quite a collection, if one specializes. These are kept in a regular 1st day covers album and are displayed in plastic frames.

I have written before about dies, as the Museum has quite a few dies, I had to find a way to keep these to display them. Some of these are in plastic cubes, others are imbedded in clear plastic. I am still experimenting in ways to display these, as dies come in different shapes and sizes. You will never believe, unless you see these dies that some of your elongates were made from. I have dies that are made nine different ways.

The Museum has three different elongating machines. These all are originally hand operated. Two have been connected to power with reduction boxes so they can turn very slowly. One of these machines was made in 1891. As far as my research goes, I believe that elongates were made before 1893. No, I do not have any elongates made before 1893, that is positively authenticated to be made at this time. I'm on the trail of three pieces, that were supposed to be made in 1890, 1891 and 1885. That will be another story.

One machine has ring dies, that is a steel ring about 2½ inches in diameter with about ½" thick surface where the dies are engraved. This die is about 1½" wide. Four different engravings can be fitted on this die and with continuous feed, you get four different elongates with each revolution of the die.

#2 machine is a segment type. This machine has four segments inserted in a wide roller that is cut and machined to hold these dies, which are bolted to the shaft, to change these dies you only have to unloosen the bolts and each segment is removable, which is quite simple.

#3 machine is a solid roll machine, a jewelers type roller. The type jewelers use to roll out gold or silver to make it thin enough to be made into jewelry. This has a die that slips over the solid roller. The die is not a complicated one to remove from this machine.

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I have been asked many times which elongate in my Museum is my favorite. This is quite hard to say, as there are many that are scarce and unique. Some are older types and others are the elongates that were made recently. I have also seen elongates in other collections that I consider quite unique and rare. I am certainly glad that the modern rollers are keeping track of the amount of elongates that they roll. As the scarcity of some of the most recent elongates will certainly increase in value, as the years go by.

The Museum has many trial pieces. These are made of aluminum, brass, copper, lead and other types of metals, even some of leather. How do we come about these odd elongates? Just as at the Mint, where they try a new die on different metals, to see if all the features are sharp and clear. So do rollers try different metals at different stages of engraving a die, to see if all features they want are on the finished elongate. These elongates are called Progressive elongates. Not all rollers make these elongates. These elongates are usually made by rollers who hand engrave their own dies. To date there are over 25 rollers making elongates.

Visitors are surprised to see the large amount of religious elongates on display. There are over 105 "Our Fathers", 31 "Ten Commandments", plus over 30 more including simulates and other religious types. These alone make a interesting collection if one is specializing.

Many persons have visited my Museum. I have been asked how one goes about this, as no charge is ever asked for admission. I only ask a two weeks notice for an appointment to be made, as I am kept busy in my regular work and my free time is very limited. Anyone is allowed to take pictures and are free to look up any information I have.

Many persons have researched in my Museum. The more information I can give, the more knowledgeable they are of this hobby. I also keep a scrapbook of any and all facts of the hobby. I hope in some way this will give you an idea of the Museum and which elongates are on display. The Museum is always willing to buy or trade for new or old elongates, so I can keep up with all releases.

"TRADES UNLIMITED"

by Burton Neal Levy TEC #449

Burton Neal Levy has formed a new Modern Elongated Coin trading service called, "TRADES UNLIMITED".

The main purpose of this service is to help modern elongated collectors expand their present collection by trading their duplicate coins.

Mr. Levy, who is one of the founders of "Midwest Elongated Collectors", is a dedicated collector who has helped many individuals expand their knowledge of elongated coins.

With this new service, which by the way is free, a collector can enhance his present collection and learn more of elongated issues, which he may not be aware that exist.

Further information may be obtained by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to: "TRADES UNLIMITED", P.O. Box 3082, Merchandise Mart Plaza, Chicago, Illinois 60654.

The deadline for Tec articles is August 7th and deadline for your ads is August 1st. Don't wait!!! Keep those articles coming in now.

TERMS OF SALE

MAIL BID SALE

JULY-AUG.-SEPT. 1972

1. Auction sales are not approval sales
By submitting bids, you agree to the terms set forth.
No foolish or unrealistic bids will be accepted.
 2. Request to return items must be made within 3 days of receipt of items. If not made within 3 days items are considered sold and must be paid for.
 3. All bids are by lot as numbered.
 4. Bidders must send 25% of bid as deposit. No deposit for T.E.C. members.
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 6. If estimates are given they represent the owners, or are current prices. Remember these are only estimates and you may bid higher or lower.
 7. If you want the item we recommend to bid as if the item belonged to you.
 8. If you have not received item within 3 weeks of end of sale or been advised that your bid was unsuccessful, please advise us.
 9. All items are sent insured
 10. All postage and insurance paid by the low bidder.
 11. All elongated coins will be identified by Dottie Dow or Babins, or anyone who brings out a list.
 12. In no way will we be responsible for the wrong identification of an elongate, as all elongates misrepresented may be refunded for full refund.
 13. We will try our best to describe each elongate as fully as possible as to condition, type, etc.
 14. A reserve on item is a bid by the owner.
 15. On any matter requiring a answer, please enclose a stamped envelope for a reply. Thank you.
- All bids and inquiries should be mailed to- -

BIDS COINS ELONGATED
228 Vassar Road
Poughkeepsie, New York 12603

Please save this list of rules for future sales.
This sale ends August 30, 1972

LOT#	DESCRIPTION	BID
1.	Dottie Dow (The Elongated Collector) Book brand new never used. Min. bid \$50.00 (A \$60.00 offer from a dealer refused, I want a T.E.C. member to have a chance to own it.	
2.	TEC 1967 Miami Beach convention medal #095 on a Canadian silver 25 cent.	
3.	FLASS#1 dated (incused) 1966 set #24, sealed in a plastic, 9 coins set, none of these coins have been sold singly, only in sets.	
4.	A 3 coin set, Warrensville Coin Show, 1 cent, 10 cents, 5 cents.	
5.	6 coin set two sided store card, FLASS#1 dotted border. (Note... all FLASS#1 borders have been reengraved to a rolled border) 1 cent steel, 1,5,10,25,& 50 cents elongates.	
6.	An 8 coin set dated (incused) 1967, FLASS#1 dotted border 1 cent steel, 1 cent Indian, 1 cent Canadian, 1 cent Lincoln, 5,10,25, and 50 cents.	

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LOT#	DESCRIPTION	BID
7.	A 7 coin set, Lord Prayer dotted border (border changed on later issues) 1 cent steel, Canadian 5,10,25, & 50 cents.	
8.	The die that made these was roughly made, these elongates are unique, they represent "the heads up flag."	
	8 coin set Indian cent, 1 cent Liberty, 5 cent Jefferson, 5 cent buffalo, 10 cent mercury dime, 10 cents silver Roosevelt, 25 clad.	
9.	Lot#. Red Cross type 6 coins set, steel, copper cent, 5,10,25,50 cent. This is a two sided set, the other side is a store card.	
10.	RELT. C#10 on original souvenir card.	
11.	Very unique leather elongated store card with a 50 cent mint stamp enclosed in a plastic case. This was given out as change when there was a shortage of 50 cent pieces. None were given out to elongated collectors. We are trying to buy these so that elongated collectors can have them, as only 17 were made. These are very rare and hard to get.	

LOT#	DESCRIPTION	BID	LOT#	DESCRIPTION	BID
12.	ILL CPIE #1 cent. of progress		43.	ILL CPIE #97 Sky Ride	
13.	ILL CPIE #2 Chicago (hole on one end)		44.	ILL CPIE #97B Sky Ride	
14.	ILL CPIE #4 1933 Chicago		45.	ILL CPIE #97A Sky Ride	
15.	ILL CPIE #6 Train		46.	ILL CPIE #97G Sky Ride	
16.	ILL CPIE #13 Flags		47.	ILL CPIE #100 Sky Ride	
17.	ILL CPIE #14 Flags		48.	ILL CPIE #101 Sky Ride	
18.	ILL CPIE #16 Belg.		49.	ILL CPIE #102A Sky Ride	
19.	ILL CPIE #17 Belg.		50.	ILL CPIE #102B Sky Ride	
20.	ILL CPIE #19 Electric Bldg.		51.	ILLWCE #1 on 5 cent	
21.	ILL CPIE #20 Fed. Bldg.		52.	ILLWCE #1A on cent	
22.	ILL CPIE #21 Fed. Bldg.		53.	ILLWCE #1C on cent	
23.	ILL CPIE #22 China		54.	ILLWCE #1C on 5 cent	
24.	ILL CPIE #23 Egypt		55.	ILLWCE #1D on seated dime	
25.	ILL CPIE #24 Ford		56.	NYPAE #2 Tower (holed) one side	
26.	ILL CPIE #28 Hollywood		57.	NYPAE #5 Tower	
27.	ILL CPIE #30 Indian		58.	NYPAE #6 Tower	
28.	ILL CPIE #31 Indian		59.	NYPAE #7 Tower	
29.	ILL CPIE #33 Italian		60.	NYPAE #8 Tower	
30.	ILL CPIE #33A Italian		61.	CAL.GGB #4 on large cent(scarce)	
31.	ILL CPIE #42 Trans. Bldg.		62.	CAL.GGB #6B	
32.	ILL CPIE #45 Trans. Bldg.		63.	CAL.GGIE #3	
33.	ILL CPIE #48 Stand. Oil		64.	CAL.GGIE #14 (small hole)	
34.	ILL CPIE #70 Block House		65.	CAL.OBBS #1	
35.	ILL CPIE #71 Fort Dearborn		66.	MOSLWF #2 Bldg.	
36.	ILL CPIE #84 Fountain		67.	MOSLWF #19 Palace	
37.	ILL CPIE #90 Sky Ride		68.	MOSLWF #22 Monument	
38.	ILL CPIE #91 Sky Ride (2 small pin holes)		69.	CALXXX #2 Good Luck	
39.	ILL CPIE #92 Sky Ride		70.	12 coin set, 6 cents, 6 ten cents Canadian Maple Leaf and Animals. Fish century set on Canadian coins. Bid 12 coins as a lot.	
40.	ILL CPIE #93 Sky Ride		71.	DDHst #11 D. Dow cast hand shake	
41.	ILL CPIE #96 Sky Ride		72.	4 Piece set NY ny #1, LPrbdpc #1 NYpi #3, RELt.c #13	
42.	ILL CPIE #96A Sky Ride				
73.	3 coin set MMM border blank elongated, (scarce) die destroyed. Kennedy Peace Forest, U.S. Saving Bond				
74.	3 Simulates, State Capitol, Quints, Mt. Rushmore				
75.	Scarce Aluminum elongated Saving Bond				

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LOT#	DESCRIPTION	BID
76.	NY.alb. #1 Cap.Fire	
77.	Grand Coulee Dam, Oregon 100 Anniversary, 2 elongates	
78.	N.C.O.C. 1st Annual on a dime	
79.	N.Ja.p #1 S.S. Morro Castle	
80.	O.GLE #4 Cleveland	
81.	Ships #5 Old Ironsides	
82.	On Hong Kong 1 cent, 1st Great Western Coin, Stamp Exhibit	
83.	On English 1 cent, 1st Great Western Coin, Stamp Exhibit	
84.	Two coins. United Nations 1969, on 1 and 10 cents. (Stevenson)	
85.	P&PC #10 Theodore Roosevelt	
86.	O.F.P. #10 Will Rogers	
87.	On large Canadian cent, Canada #2	
88.	F.D.R. #5	
89.	F.D.R. #9	
90.	Genuine old, NY.c.i #4a (coin not fully elongated)	
91.	Old unlisted Lake Tahoe #1(These # are just for identification)	
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	#95. only 11 made - - -#97. only 12 made - - - - -	
	#96. only 8 made - - -#98. only 11 made - - - - -	
	#99. only 13 made. These dies are all destroyed, proof will be given.	

100. ILL C PIE #46 Travel Bldg.

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End of Sale. Good Hunting.

I will gladly sell your surplus elongates, send for particulars.

(Editors Note:- If you do not understand some of these Lots, please write to Mr. Meccarello for more information, he will gladly help you. S.A.E. Please!)

write to-
BIDS COINS ELONGATED
228 Vassar Road
Poughkeepsie, N.Y. 12603

COIN WORLD, Wednesday, March 15, 1972



Series Covers Coin Types

Issues three and four in a series of 36 elongated cents depicting different U. S. coin types produced by Donald Adams Co., P. O. Box 173, Chauvin, La. 70344. These two pieces feature the largest cent, left, and two-cent piece. Earlier issues featured the Flying Eagle and Indian cents. The cost for two monthly issues is \$2, with the quantity limited to 2,000.

Donald Adams says he will accept new subscribers at this late date only if they are members of TEC.

Write to him at;

P. O. Box 173

Chauvin, Louisiana 70344

UNLISTED DIRECTORY PART III

by Bob Callander TEC #307



FLamia 4. /SOUVENIR/. Below and from left to right, a palm tree, umbrella and girl on beach, with boat in water pointed right. Below, /MIAMI BEACH, FLA./ Dotted border with thin line inside border. (Note this piece is similar to N.J. ac 9, except the palm tree has been added and the name of the city is different.

FLamia 5. Has no picture, only wording which reads from top to bottom as follows: /DIXIE BATH HOUSE/AND /SOLARIUMS/ADMIT ONE/TO SUN PARLOR/MIAMI BEACH,FLA./ Dotted border with thin line inside border.

FLaxxx 1. Map of Florida with /FLORIDA/ printed on land in curved manner. Palm Trees, Beach and Boats to the left, flying fish and fisherman in boat to right. Cities, St. Petersburg and Miami marked on map. Rope border.

CAL-MWE 1. Words horizontal on coin. /MIDWINTER/ EXPOSITION/S.F.CAL. 1894/. Curved line and three dots both above and below word "Exposition". Plain edge.

FLAGots 7a. /OVER/ Service flag in center with one star. /There/. Rolled border. (Similar to 7, except it has one star, rather than two).

MO-K.C. 1. / KANSAS CITY, MO./ Below, picture of building which takes up the whole design on coin. Below, / American Royal Building/. Dotted border.

XXX 7a Obv. Sign of Scorpio, /WATER/RULED BY/MARS/HOUSE OF LEGACIES/. Scorpion in center. Below, /SCORPIO/ THE SCORPIAN/ OCT. 23/ NOV. 22/. Rope border. Rev.: /YOU ARE/ SECRETIVE AG-/ GRESSIVE, JUDICI-/ AL MIND, ACTIVE PER-/CEPTION, KEEN INTUI-/ TION, WONDERFUL, REST-/LESS, ADMIRABLE, SELF-/CONTROL, MENTAL FIGHT-/ERS, GREAT SKILL, ADAPT-/ED TO POSITIONS OF AU-/THORITY, MATE PISCES, VI-/RGO, ASTRAL, COLOR SCAR/LET, LUCKY GEM TOPAZ/SUNDAY, FRIDAY, BEST/ DAYS, CHANGE FOR BET-/TER EVERY FIFTEEN/ YEARS, ACQUIRE/ CONTROL OF THE/ PASSIONATE/ NATURE/. Rope border.

F.D.R. 8a. /OUR PRESIDENT/ AND/ FRIEND/. Bust of Roosevelt facing right, with /1934/ below, three stars, /A NEW DEAL/. Rolled border. Similar to 8 except for date and border.

F.D.R. 18a. Appears to be identical to 18, except "R" in "Friend" has no tail, but is cut off short. Dotted border.

F.D.R. 23. Around left edge, /ALOHA/. Around right edge, /REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR/. Over head in small letters, /FRANKLIN / D / ROOSEVELT/. Bust of Roosevelt facing right. Below bust, /1932-45/. Dotted border within thin wire edge.

F.D.R. 24. Around upper edge, /FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT/. Bust of Roosevelt facing right. Below, around edge / 32nd PRESIDENT U.S./ Dotted border.

O.F.P. 6a. Around upper edge. /GEN. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR /. Bust of MacArthur facing right. Below, /OUR/ HERO/. Dotted border.

O.F.P. 6b. Vertical on coin. Bust of MacArthur facing right, Below, /MACARTHUR/. Rope border.

O.F.P. 11a. Horizontal on coin. Bust of Will Rogers facing front in center. Above /WILL/ ROGERS/ with small plane between first and last name. A star with rays to left and to right of bust. Below /1879/ 1935/. Rope border.

S.D.xxx 1. /RUSHMORE MEMORIAL/. Below, heads of Washington, Jefferson and Lincoln carved on Mt. Rushmore. Head of T. Roosevelt is not shown as apparently coin was rolled before memorial was completed. Below, /BLACK HILLS SO. DAKOTA/. Rope border.

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UNLISTED DIRECTORY PART III

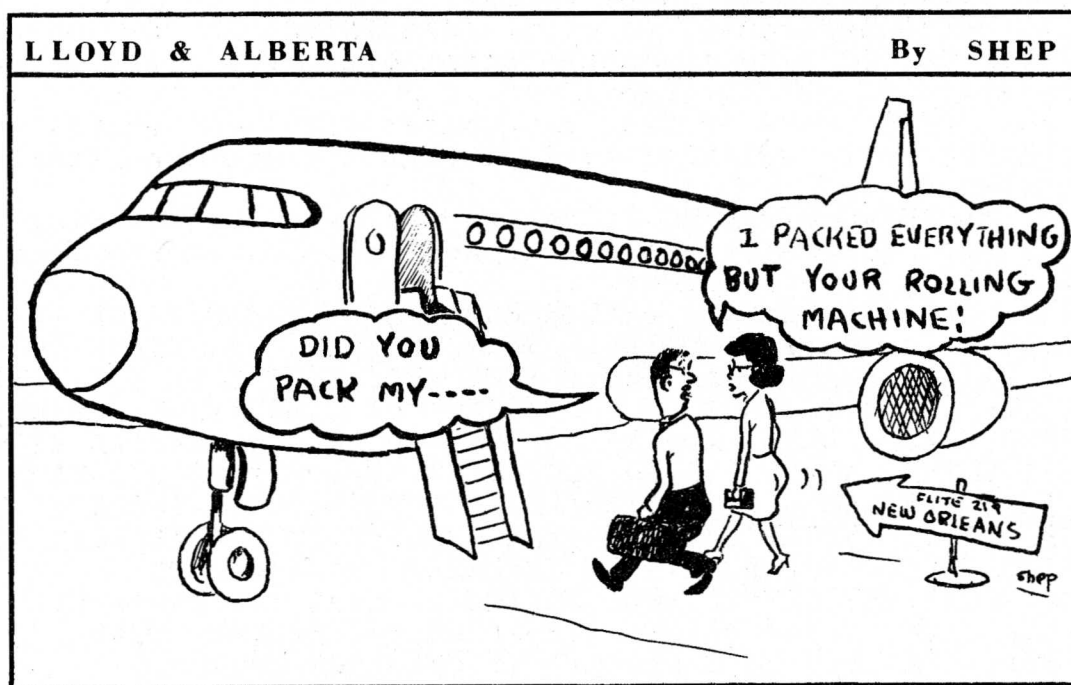
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N.Y.n.y. 5. /WORLD/BOWLING/ CHAMPIONSHIPS/ 1937/. Two Bowling Pins crossed with ball below. /NEW YORK/ CITY/. Rope border.
 O.day 1. /FRONTIERS OF FREEDOM/. /1941/. Below, Airplane flying right. /DAYTON, O./ Below, /MIAMI VALLEY CELEBRATION/. Dotted border.

I want to thank the following collectors for writing to me and sending foils of unlisted pieces, Jack Wilcox, Lloyd Wagaman, Ralph Jones, Louis Waldman and Elton Parsons.

Write to:- Bob Callander, P.O. Box 71, Nappanee, Indiana 46550

(Editors note: I want to thank Mr. Callander for the wonderful job he has done this past year. I'm sure everyone has learned a lot from your Unlisted Directory.)



ELONGATEDS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

by Eric Goodwin TEC #520

During the two school weeks beginning April 17 and including National Coin Week, I taught a course in coin collecting to thirty-seven seventh and eight grade students. The emphasis was on elongated coins and I presented each student with three elongateds, to start their coin collections.

We had four guest speakers who graciously devoted their time and numismatic gifts to the class. Mr. John Baker from the 99 Coin Company presented a program on PNCovers, a photographic slide program of his trip to Israel. Don Wallace presented a slide program of the minting process at one of the U.S. Mints and how errors are produced. Leonard Sterling presented a program about his Golden Gloves Medals. Lee Martin gave a program about coins in general and presented each student with an autographed copy of COINage Magazine and an elongated coin.

The response of these gentlemen to my request for guest speakers, was very gratifying and showed how willing the members of our hobby are willing to start young people in a rewarding hobby.

T.E.C. MEMBER NAMED A.N.A. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Edward C. Rochette

Edward C. Rochette, TEC #190 and editor of the ANA monthly publication, THE NUMISMATIST, has been named by the board of governors of the American Numismatic Association to replace Adna G. Wilde Jr. as the organizations executive director.

He will assume his new office, a position he filled as acting director for a year in 1967, on May 1. To relieve Rochette of his editorial duties the Association has announced the appointment of Thomas A. Marshall as editor of The Numismatist.

Rochette, a native of Worcester, Mass. served as secretary of the Worcester County Numismatic Society, he also contributed numismatic cartoons to coin papers in the mid-1950's. Prior to his appointment as editor of the ANA's THE NUMISMATIST in 1966, Rochette held the post of executive editor of the NUMISMATIC NEWS

WEEKLY. He is the author of the standard reference "Medallic Memorials of John F. Kennedy" and was co-author of a second work, "Coins, Questions and Answers." In 1965 he was also appointed by President Lyndon B. Johnson to serve on the Assay Commission.

From the officers and members of TEC, our best wishes to Ed Rochette for success and happiness in his new post as ANA Executive Director.

MY EXHIBITS

by J. Harvey Burham TEC #494

The Port City Coin Club, here in Muscatine, Iowa, held their annual spring coin show, April 30th. I entered two exhibits, one was All Eisenhower First Day Covers, P.N.C. covers with medals, other medals, coins, three elongates, silver replica of the Comm. stamp etc. all about Eisenhower.

The other exhibit was all elongates, with the story of elongates. I am enclosing a list of the material and a photo of the case to you.

I won first place in both catagories, I was really thrilled when I went back to the show in the afternoon and saw a first place ribbon on each of my cases.

I was sure that if I did a better job setting and arranging the display, I might get some recognition. I sure was right. I was there a short time in the morning and returned for a short time in the afternoon and had many compliments on both exhibits. I was asked many questions about the elongates. I had some in my pocket not listed, to show curious persons. I got a thrill out of it especially since I am limited to my activities, since forced retirement following heart surgery.

Sure glad I had some hobbies before that happened. I also got a different cigar band given to me for that collection and picked up a couple old postcards from a friend. I also received some Canadian first day covers from another. A banner day. Also got a medal from the "Century of Progress" Chicago, 1933.

I arranged my elongated exhibit something like this. The cover heading of TEC NEWS for (April-May-June), was the title of my display. In the case I had three membership medals attached to descriptive card. Plastic folder, with Elongated Half, Quarter, Nickel,

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MY EXHIBITS

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Dime and Penny, each had the Lords Prayer on it and a card with The Elongated Story. I also had five convention badges, mounted on black velvet, with descriptive cards. I also had 37 Of my older elongated coins, one of which was the Model T Ford, 1909, which is worth \$650.00. I enjoyed exhibiting and hope to do this again.

(Editors note:-- Your picture of your exhibit was very nice and I would like to see you get the "Best of Show", next time. Thank you for the picture and I will keep it for mt TEC scrapbook. Keep up the good work and may you win many more times.

THE LEANING TOWER

by Henry Blaha TEC #8



The Leaning Tower of Pisa, or is it Pizza. Well anyhow, let me tell you about an elongated coin that has the picture of it on it. First let me clarify a few things, the tower I am referring to is not the one in Pisa, Italy, but right here in these United States of America. Niles, Illinois to be more specific.

Puzzled? Well don't be. This one is a little spitting image of the real one. Not to little though, as you see the original one is 177 feet tall and 56 feet in diameter and this one is 96 feet tall and 28 feet in diameter.

Robert A. Ilg, a Chicago industrialist and inventor had this replica built on his country park, as a water storage tower, for three swimming pools. Because of the leaning of the replica, it was not possible to use the level and plumb line instruments that are normally used in construction. It was necessary to develop new devices, that took the lean into consideration. The Tower was dedicated, by Mr. Ilg, to the memory of Galelio, in 1933. Galelio used the original tower to demonstrate the fundamental law of the universe, that objects of different weight fall at the same rate of speed. The Replica was used by modern day scientists to test parachutes for the rocket re-entry.

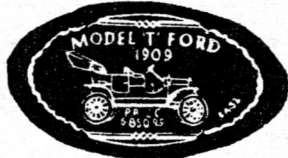
In 1960 Mr. and Mrs. Ilg presented the site to the YMCA. The YMCA, constructed a building on the site and featured the Tower in the front, which is lit up at night and presents a very enjoyable sight.

Ja, I know you are wondering about the elongated coin. Well, back in 1969, shortly after I made a talk on elongateds at the Morton Grove Coin Club and joined as a member, they had their annual Coin Festival and used an elongated coin as their give away at the door. Lloyd E. Wagaman was contacted and contracted to design and roll the coin for the club and a very good job he did.

Each member got a set, of a cent and a dime with their club membership number on the reverse. At the show only cents were passed out and they are now very scarce. Occasionally I see one at a dealers table at some bourse and I immediately purchase it, as I know I can always use it as a good trading coin, for something I would want from some other collector.

If you have not already figured it out, the Morton Coin Club Festival was held at the YMCA at the Leaning Tower of Pisa, or we should say of Niles, Illinois. It has been held there for quite a few years now and who knows maybe there will be another elongated coin coming up sometime. So just wait and see.

On April 30th Henry Blaha got a 2nd place trophy from the Morton Grove Coin Club of Chicago, Illinois. Lets see you get more Henry!!



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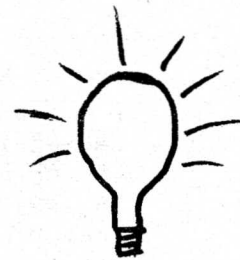
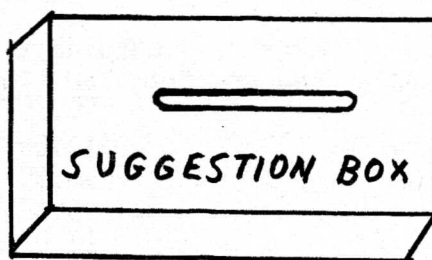
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(Editors comment: I received two of these NEW ISSUE coins with this copy and all I can say is "Beautiful".)

OUR SECOND "SPECIAL THANKS" TO COIN WORLD

Again we wish to extend our thanks to COIN WORLD for the splendid article about TEC which appeared in their May 3, 1972 issue.

At this late date, (our copy is typed and printers deadline is very close) rather than to combine this "Thank You" message with the one on page 16 concerning our thanks to COIN WORLD for an article about TEC in the February 9 issue, we are printing this second "SpecialThanks".

The May 3rd article in COIN WORLD along with a photo of the TEC membership elongated, mentioned many articles and their authors in the last issue of TEC NEWS.

Again our second "SpecialThanks" to COIN WORLD for their publicity in their fine publication.

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FOUR HISTORICAL HOUSES

Mr. Rogers, who has been a regular coin collector for twenty years, has recently joined the ranks as an elongated coin collector and roller. For his first issues Chester has chosen four historical houses in Beverly, Mass. dating as far back as 1636. Chester describes them as follows:

THE BALCH HOUSE 1636 - is located at 448 Cabot St., Beverly, Mass. Built during 1636 by John Balch, who came from Somerset County, England with Captain Gorges in 1623. He was one of the five Old Planters who received a grant of one thousand acres at the head of Bass River. The House is the oldest in New England, of which there is written record. It has been enlarged, but the original structure may be seen at the Northeast corner of the building and the successive stages of alteration are indicated in the attic. It is open to the public every day.

STANDLEY HOUSE - 1700 - Located at 122 Standley Street, Beverly, Mass. Built on land conveyed to George Standley in 1671; the charm and atmosphere of colonial times has been retained.

YE OLD MEETING HOUSE - 1682 - From an old drawing of this original House; Not standing today.

WOODBERRY TAVERN - 1690 - Located on Hale Street, Beverly, Mass. has not lost it's Historical Charm.

The above elongateds may be purchased on Cents @ .50¢ each, Nickels @ .75¢ each and Dimes @ \$1.00 each; from Chester M. Rogers, P. O. Box 300, Beverly, Mass. 01915.

I have two more issues.

(paid ad)

"PIONEER VILLAGE", Salem, Mass. A replica of one of the first settlements of the early 1600; cleared by the settlers of the Massachusetts Bay Colony as history books describes it to be over 300 years ago. It is open daily from June to November. When visitors pass through the stockade fence gateway they can forget today and live in the past.

"350th ANNIVERSARY OF GLOUCESTER, MASS., 1623 - 1973"

Gloucester in Massachusetts is an ancient Port of the permanent English settlements and has only Jamestown and Plymouth preceding it. Gloucesters first settlers came from the Plymouth Colony at Plymouth. In the third year, 1623, of the Plymouth settlement there were some among the brethren who disagreed with the majority in the matter of interpreting Scripture. Now the one thing a Plymouth Minority of those days could not do, was to disagree with the majority in religious matters, not if they wished to continue to dwell in peace and quiet in the Colony. The insurgent ones were rounded up by Governor Bradford and told to betake themselves quickly to some distant part of the Colony. Gloucester is where they arrived but was then known as Cape Ann. Later named Gloucester after Gloucester, England where the settlers had came from.

Elongated cents, \$1.00 - Nickels, \$1.25 - Silver Dimes \$1.50 - and Silver Quarters, \$2.00 - the set for \$5.00.

Send in your order to Chester M. Rogers, P.O. Box 300, Beverly, Mass. 01915

(paid ad)

"MAC" IS BACK

by Jack Wilcox TEC #332



The results of hunting at our favorite Flea Market in Lambertville, N.J. brings to light an unlisted, for which I've gone poetic with my title.

The elongated is rolled vertically, bust facing right (in uniform), below /MacArthur/ is rope border.

The profile seems to be a more youthful one of MacArthur than those found on O.F.P.#5 & 6. This nice find was in a dealers case, along with several modern elongateds selling at 50¢, however the dealer stated he wanted \$3.50 for "MAC". I talked him down to \$2.50 and couldn't wait to check it in my Dow book. Figured it was a "New Find".

This same Sunday I picked up another bargain in an antique shop across the Delaware River in New Hope, Pa. A N.Y.-PAE#23 was hiding in a glass case on one of the lower shelves. Paid a single dollar for it. A later Flea Market trip turned up a N.Y.-WF(1)#5c at \$1.50 and a ILL-CPIE #6 at \$1.00. So with a little bit of hunting and lots of luck, bargains are still to be found.

At a coin show I bought a ILL-WCE #1a (rolled on a 1874 10 Pfg. coin) for only \$6.00 by asking a dealer friend to buy it for me. This friend at the next Show not only had the 10 Pfg. elongated for me, but also a LUCKY ¢ #7 (on a 1914), which he sold me for 25¢. I guess we could all use such good friendship.

My pen pals have started calling me "Mr. Lucky". I guess this report tends to prove them right. I'll keep trying to live up to standard----(smile). END

(Editors note; Mr. Wilcox sent along a pencil rubbing of this elongated coin. We will try and have it printed with this article. Not having tried this before we are not sure as to how it will come out. So if you see a blank space or a smudge in the upper left hand corner of this article, that is where the rubbing of "MAC" should be.)

COIN CLINIC

by William M. Lee TEC #205

The "Midwest Numismatic Association", Kicked - - -off "National Coin Week" with a "Coin Clinic", at "Ward Parkway Shopping Center Mall", in Kansas City, Mo., Saturday April 15, 1972. I have been a member of M.N.A. since 1966, the same year that I joined T.E.C.

I have worked the "Clinic" for four years, but this is the first year that I had a display.

The object of the "Clinic" is to acquaint the general public with the hobby or "Art of Numismatics." No buying or selling just answering questions, appraising and trying to interest them in our hobby.

I have collected coins since 1935, starting with "Indian Heads" and going up thru the ranks of U.S. - Foreign - Medals -- Tokens-- Wooden Nickels and now my "thing is elongated coins". Up to the time they made me "hang up the harness," (at 65) and (cut the old pay check about in half), I was active in U.S. and foreign collecting, but now I am getting a big kick out of "Elongates", not only accumulating but trying to find out who, when, where and why each one was rolled. Right now I am interested in trying to find out who the different rollers are by their "Mint Marks", but why were some of the rollers so proud of their work, they did not put their M.M. on them. How do you find out who A.R. - R.A. - AEI - BX and a lot of others are? Well enough of this complaining and to get back to the "Clinic".

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COIN CLINIC

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Ward Parkway Mall is one of the largest shopping centers in this vicinity and there were several hundred "customers" for the clinic.

I had three cases (432) of elongates on display and did you ever try answering every kind of a question imaginable for about eight hours. As I said before, this was my first experience displaying elongates or any other kind of numismatics. Sure was tiresome but a lot of fun and very educational and I'll be back next year, the good Lord willing.

I started out to just write a short note, but it seems it has grown into a book. If you think this rambling or any part of it is worth printing in the T.E.C. NEWS, you have my permission to do so.

HOW I STARTED COLLECTING ELONGATES

by Alice Penzes TEC #3

I guess I really started to collect elongated coins, after I first met my husband Steve Penzes. Steve was always interested in elongated coins and was proud to show them to me. The more I saw of the elongated coins, the more interested I got in them myself. Steve would take me to all the local coin shows and it was at one of these shows, I bought my first elongated coin. I knew I was hooked and started to look for more coins. Steve sold me most of his duplicates and my collection started to grow.

When the A.N.A. convention came to Chicago, Ill., Steve and I were there. It was there I met Dottie Dow and became a member of the newly formed T.E.C. At the first meeting of T.E.C. Dottie Dow asked for a volunteer, to take down the notes and I volunteered for it. So that's how I became the first secretary of T.E.C. and held that position, for the next five years.

As the years went by Steve and I met many members, which we now call our T.E.C. family and look forward to seeing each other at the A.N.A. conventions. Steve and I became engaged at the convention in Philadelphia, Pa. and planned on getting married the following year in St. Louis, Mo., so we could have our T.E.C. family take part in the wedding. Since then I've enjoyed being a member of T.E.C. and having a lasting friendship with them.

I've exhibited at several A.N.A. conventions and I got a 1st prize at the Philadelphia, Pa. convention. I've also exhibited at some of the local coin shows and have given talks about elongated coins at different clubs.

See you all at the A.N.A. convention in New Orleans.

NOTICE---NOTICE---NOTICE

The officers and members of T.E.C. wish to extend their deepest sympathy to our member, Mr. John Spadone, TEC #422, on the recent death of his beloved "Mother".

For those who may have known Mr. Loren V. (Red) Archer, T.E.C. #350, a former member from Nevada, Mo., he passed away Jan. 12, 1972 after a long illness. It would be nice to send a card or letter to their families. I'm sure the family would appreciate it very much.

NOTICE!!!--If your article did not appear in this issue of TEC NEWS, it will appear in the next issue. As you can see, this issue is over 40 pages and we have gone way over our budget per issue. Starting with the next issue we will have to stay within our budget for printing and mailing, so when we get to our page limit we will stop there even if its before our deadline, and after that all articles will have to go into the following issue.

"YES, I WILL WRITE SALLY

by Gerard J. Braithwaite TEC#59

Sally has been after me to write an article for TEC, so here it is. It probably won't be as good as some of the articles, but Sally has been very persuasive and persistent and because she's doing such a good job for our organization, I'm willing to try.

Collecting elongateds for me goes back quite a few years, before TEC was even thought of, perhaps around 1962. Another fine young lady name of Dottie Dow got me interested when I saw an article of hers in COIN WORLD about elongateds. I wrote to her, started off with one or two and was hooked.

After that I picked them up as I saw them advertised and for quite a while was getting everyone that Dottie issued. In the meantime I was also collecting wooden nickels, medals and tokens. After a few years it got to be too much. I was hurting financially and had neither the time nor space to take care of my hobbies.

Finally I decided to specialize. My elongated collection would be limited to just the ones that caught my fancy, rather than every single one I could get my hands on and my other hobbies would be limited to the six New England States. Guess I traded or sold a couple of hundred elongateds, 1,500 wooden nickels and 150 medals.

My elongated collection now numbers 146 and they're all ones I like and represent many of the different people who make the elongateds. I am also now glad I decided to limit my collection, because I feel there are getting to be too many, certainly too many to keep up with and some of the newer ones are too expensive especially considering the quality.

In closing I'd like to say my one regret is that I, never have made a "find" -one of the old and rare ones-, but if I can't do it, here's hoping YOU can!

(Editors note: Thank you Gerard, for writing.)

WHAT IS AN ELONGATED WORTH

by Eric Goodwin TEC #520

Although I had been collecting elongateds for four years, I did not really appreciate their value until I produced my first two issues.

First I paid \$9.00 for a new axle for my machine so that I could exchange die rings easily. I invested in 8 die rings at \$8.00 each. The engraver charged \$35.00, to transfer my art work to a flat metal plate plus \$15.00 for a minor change in the design. Then \$15.00 for setting-up the 3-dimension engraving machine and \$30.00 each for engraving 2 designs on a ring. Not counting the axle, this represents an investment of \$140.50 plus 5% sales tax.

After setting up the die in my roller, I wasted many pennies in getting the proper adjustment and avoiding errors. Then began a period of experimenting with back surfaces and also finding out that hand rolling 50 coins per day was a rather boring process. Believe me I think elongateds are a bargain at 50¢ each. Oh, I almost forgot, all the hours spent traveling back and forth to the engravers office.

NEW ISSUES - by Eric Goodwin, 1112 S. Figueroa, Santa Ana, Cal.92704

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The Mother Lode Highway of California '49' PLACERVILLE - - - - - 50¢

Deadline for TEC articles, August 7th, for ads, August 1st
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